

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA  
BUTTE DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

OWEN DAVID JAMES,

Defendant.

CR 24–19–BU–DLC

ORDER

Before the Court is the United States’ Unopposed Motion for Final Order of Forfeiture. (Doc. 123.) Having reviewed said Motion, the Court finds:

1. The United States commenced this action pursuant to 21 U.S.C. §§ 853(a)(1) and (2) and 21 U.S.C. § 881(a)(11).
2. A Preliminary Order of Forfeiture was entered on December 11, 2024. (Doc. 97.)
3. All known interested parties were provided an opportunity to respond and publication has been effected as required by 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(1). (Doc. 114.)
4. It has been determined that the Kimber Micro 9 pistol, cal. 9, SN PB0125276 firearm was stolen from and belongs to innocent owner Trey Copeland.
5. It appears there is cause to issue a forfeiture of the unclaimed property

under 21 U.S.C. §§ 853(a)(1) and (2) and 21 U.S.C. § 881(a)(11).

It is therefore ORDERED, DECREED AND ADJUDGED that:

1. The Motion for Final Order of Forfeiture (Doc. 123) is GRANTED.
2. The Kimber Micro 9 pistol, cal. 9, SN PB0125276 firearm shall be returned to rightful owner Trey Copeland, when no longer needed as evidence and in accordance with governing law.
3. Judgment of forfeiture of the following property shall enter in favor of the United States pursuant to 21 U.S.C. §§ 853(a)(1) and (2) and 21 U.S.C. § 881(a)(11) free from the claims of any other party:
  - 7 rounds Hornady ammunition cal. 9.
4. The United States shall have full and legal title to the forfeited property and may dispose of it in accordance with law.

DATED this 19th day of February, 2025.



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Dana L. Christensen, District Judge  
United States District Court